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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Bassel BEIDAS et al.

**Application No:** 09/768,726

January 24, 2001

For: Method And Apparatus For Acquiring A Synchronization Signal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Art Unit:

2667

Examiner:

Rhonda L. MURPHY

#### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

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Petition for Extension of time is attached hereto.	If an additional extension of time is required, please
consider this a petition therefor.	

An extension for months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

 $\boxtimes$ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

M The fee for claims is calculated below.

_	CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT		ADDITIONAL FEE	
					<b>EXTRA</b>	<u>RATE</u>		
TOTAL CLAIMS	22	_	51	=	0 x	\$ 18.00 =	\$	0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	8	_	9	=	0 x	\$ 86.00 =	\$	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				N (Y/N)	\$ 290.00 =	\$	0.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:						\$	0.00	

Please charge \$0.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,

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Serial No: 09/768,726	Examiner: Rhonda L. MURPHY				
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Title: Method and Apparatus for Acquiring a Synchronization Signal					

# **REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Dear Sir:

## **Introductory Comments:**

This is in response to the Office Action dated 8-27-2004, in connection with the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-51 are pending in the present application.

This application is being amended as follows. Consideration of these amendments and the remarks provided herein are respectfully requested.